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SUBJECT: UN DISARMAMENT DIVISION DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS ON DISARMAMENT
TOPICS

REF: USUN 0019

1. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY: FOLLOWING CABLE REPORTS COMMENTS
BY UN DISARMAMENT AFFAIRS DIVISION DIRECTOR BJORNERSTEDT
ON VARIOUS DISARMAMENT SUBJECTS. BJORNERSTEDT'S OPINIONS
WERE REPORTED TO US BY UK MISOFF LOGAN. USUN BELIEVES WE SHOULD
PARTICIPATE IN THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE ROLE OF THE UN IN
DISARMAMENT. END INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY.

2. UK MISOFF LOGAN INFORMED USUN MISOFF ON JANUARY 6 OF A
CONVERSATION WITH BJORNERSTEDT ON THAT SAME DAY. ON EX-
PERTS STUDY ON REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS (ROB),
BJORNERSTEDT SAID THAT IT WAS NOT NECESSARY FOR ANY OF
PARTICIPANTS IN 1974 STUDY TO DROP OUT FOR ANOTHER WESTERN
COUNTRY TO PARTICIPATE. BJORNERSTEDT ALSO MENTIONED THAT
IRANIANS ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING EXPERTS GROUP.

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USUN MISOFF SUGGESTED TO LOGAN THAT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL

TO PASS BJORNERSTEDT'S COMMENTS ON ROB EXPERTS GROUP TO THE FRG MISSION; LOGAN AGREED AND SAID HE WOULD DO SO.

3. ON AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ROLE OF UN IN DISARMAMENT, (ROUND) BJORNERSTEDT SAID THAT VERY LITTLE CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED UNTIL VIEWS OF GOVERNMENTS ON THE SUBJECT WERE RECEIVED. (DEADLINE IS MAY 1). HE SUGGESTED THAT QUESTIONS OF METHODS OF WORK AND SELECTION OF THE BUREAU WOULD BE MAJOR FOCI OF ATTENTION AT ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING. LOGAN SAID THAT HE TOLD BJORNERSTEDT THAT UK WISHES AD HOC COMMITTEE TO OPERATE ON A CONSENSUS BASIS. BJORNERSTEDT AGREED AND SUGGESTED RULES OF NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY REVIEW CONFERENCE AS A SUITABLE PRECEDENT.

4. ON STAFFING THE DISARMAMENT AFFAIRS DIVISION, LOGAN SAID BJORNERSTEDT SAID HE WOULD BE STAYING ON UNTIL SEPTEMBER. BJORNERSTEDT SAID THAT SYG HAS ASKED SWEDISH GOVERNMENT TO COME UP WITH A REPLACEMENT FOR HIM, BUT THAT THE TWO POSSIBILITIES UNEARTHED THUS FAR HAVE REFUSED ON GROUNDS OF INADEQUATE PAY.

5. COMMENT: USUN BELIEVES WE SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ROUND BUT WISHES TO RESERVE COMMENT ON LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION UNTIL MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.

6. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.
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